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Fig. 4 shows a cross-sectional construction of a specific embodiment of the mechanism for selectively permeating gas. A lid 54 12 for a fuel resupply port 53 103 is provided with a plate formed with one or more pinholes whose inside surface is water repellent or a porous water repellent plate 51, 52. The lid 54 12 and the fuel

resupply port 53 103. and the fuel supply port and the fuel tank are fixed to each other with a screw construction having airtightness. If the gas temperature in the tank is increased by the generation of carbon dioxide due to power generation or the rise in environmental temperature, gas is selectively permeated or discharged through many pinholes or porous plate, so that liquid fuel does not flow out.